

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Gerry Mohatt has played a significant role in the foundation and development of Sinte Gleska College; and,

WHEREAS, It was Gerry who first initiated the school's drive for accreditation when in early 1971, he and Stanley Red Bird went to Chicago to speak with officials at the North Central Accrediting Association Office in Chicago; and,

WHEREAS, As Gerry will attest, being the president of an unfledged college and striving for its accreditation can be an exhausting process. Still, Gerry is sure to agree that some of the most rewarding moments of his professional career have been spent working with and for all his friends at Sinte Gleska College; and,

WHEREAS, As the founding President of the first tribally-controlled college on an Indian Reservation in America to receive accreditation at the Baccalaureate level, Gerry knows the challenges of making this magnificent dream a reality. Yet, despite the overwhelming adversity, Gerry never gave up on Sinte Gleska, no matter how far away the goal seemed at times; and,

WHEREAS, The result of all this work is a college of which every South Dakotan can be proud. And though Gerry has found a new home as Dean of the School of Education at the University of Alaska in Fairbanks, he will always be remembered as a man of vision and perseverance . . . a pioneer of education in a land where knowledge and understanding are the keys to a brighter future:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 26, 1983, as

GERRY MOHATT DAY

In South Dakota, to show deference to a fine man, and to celebrate the eleventh year of graduation ceremonies at Sinte Gleska College.



ATTEST:

Alice Kundert
ALICE KUNDERT, SECRETARY OF STATE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, In Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-fifth Day of August, In the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Three

William J. Janklow
WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, GOVERNOR

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